Mr. George Parakkal *(Narakkal)*.—Is not the Vela community more backward than many of the depressed class communities?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*.—I can confidently say that it is not so.

Foot-path to Nedungad Bridge.

166. Mr. George Parakkal *(Narakkal.)*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether they are aware that there are no public foot-paths leading to the approaches of the Nedungad bridge;

(b) will the Government be pleased to open foot-paths and obviate this difficulty of the people in approaching the Nedungad bridge?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon *(Director of Public Health and Panchayats)*.—(a) Yes.

(b) The matter is being considered. The approach road on the Nedungad side is being completed.

Mr. George Parakkal *(Narakkal)*.—Are there Government foot-paths connecting the Nedungad bridge on either side?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon *(Director of Public Health and Panchayats)*.—I don't think there are any poramboke lands.

Mr. George Parakkal *(Narakkal)*.—They are not poramboke lands. On either side there are private lands. Government should take steps to see that they are acquired. That is the purport of my question.

Foot-path—Manjanakad Jetty—Narakkal.

167. Mr. George Parakkal *(Narakkal.)*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether they are aware of the obstruction caused to the foot-path leading from Manjanakad jetty to the interior of Narakkal;

(b) whether the Government intends opening a foot-path connecting Manjanakad jetty with the new hospital road;

(c) the approximate time the Government will be taking in opening this road;

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(d) whether the Government has a rough idea regarding the number of people who daily use this foot-path and jetty for their travels?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon *(Director of Public Health and Panchayats).*—(a) There is no recognised foot-path from Manjanakad.

(b) Yes.

(c) It depends upon the availability of funds after making provision for more urgent demands.

(d) No.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. കുട്ടി *(Muslims).*—ആ സ്ഥലത്തു് ആളുകൾ നടന്നുകൊണ്ടിരിക്കുന്ന വഴി കെട്ടി അടച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു വല്ല ആക്ഷേപങ്ങളും ഗവൺമെണ്ടിനു കിട്ടീട്ടുണ്ടോ?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon *(Director of Public Health and Panchayats).*—I want notice.

Mr. George Parakkal *(Narakkal).*—Is any action taken by Government for land acquisition for the foot-path adjoining the Manjanakad bridge?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon *(Director of Public Health and Panchayats).*—If funds are available.

Mr. George Parakkal *(Narakkal).*—Will it be possible to include this item in the next budget?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon *(Director of Public Health and Panchayats).*—It will be considered during the time of the next budget.

Foot-path—Thuruvinkara desam—Vellarapilly.

168. **Mr. George Parakkal** *(Narakkal).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether there is any public foot-path for the villagers of Thuruvinkara desam at Vellarapilly to take their cattle to the main road during the time of floods;

(b) whether this aspect of giving the villagers of Thuruvinkara desam, Vellarapilly, an outlet into the main road will receive the urgent attention of the Government?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon *(Director of Public Health and Panchayats).*—(a) No.

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